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In re application of: Mieher et al.

Attorney Docket No.: KLA1P119

Application No.: 10/760,149

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Title: METHOD FOR PROCESS
OPTIMIZATION AND CONTROL BY
COMPARISON BETWEEN 2 OR MORE
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Dear Sir:

The reference listed in the attached PTO Form 1449 may be material to examination of the above-identified patent application. The reference was cited in the attached International Search Report. Please note that US 6,429,930 B1 cited in the International Search Report was previously cited in the above-identified application. Applicants submit this reference in compliance with their duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.56 and 1.97. The Examiner is requested to make this reference of official record in this application.

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